after noon to-day. Addressing the labor leaders, Mr. Lloyd George insisted that the Triple Alliance was defying the nation and dealing a serious blow to its very life. He challenged them to try to effect the nationalization of the coal mines through the ballot box—general

country.

Labor refused this gage, but repudiated the suggestion that there was any political motive back of their strike call, insisting that it was simply an effort by British labor to defend the present wage siandards and standards of living.

London will not be plunged into daries the seven though the strike goes into effect to-morrow night. The electrical workers have decided to perform their own duties, but will not act as volunteers or strike breakers in other industries.

MINE OWNERS INVITE ANOTHER CONFERENCE

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set so enormously one from the cr., says Mr. Hodges, "that the pro-als of the owners on a district basis id not have resulted in anything but wide variation they proposed in

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Mr. Hodges says the owners and workmen need no external government help to put into effect the principles governing the national wages movements which he has advocated. Our-lining the federation's scheme for a national pool, he says:

"It is true it cannot be applied at once owing to abnormal conditions of trade in this country, and some financial assistance is necessary."

He declares the miners' willingness to help by a reduction of wages. He expresses a desire for freedom from the bureaucratic influences" of Government control, and ends:

"Whatever sacrifices there may be to he owners, whatever political view the lovernment may take, is it not abunuantly clear that it is better for the ation that our men start work again the this machinery animated by it, her than they should be forced back work with the old machinery and in a it of sullenness, anger, enmity and acted?"

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APPEAL TO BALLOT **URGED BY PREMIER**

Lloyd George Confers With Railwaymen and Transport Workers on Strike.

UNYIELDING ON 'POOL'

negotiations or mediation.

The resolution adopted by this body is not a definite pledge to strike action, this being a matter for individual unions, but the appointment of a committee to act with the Tripic Alliance is considered a more important move than has thappened in any previous industrial cirisis.

Another aspect differentiating this from previous struggles is the universal response of labor to the miners' call.

"Nationalization is an idea and private enterprise is an idea, but I never heard anybody advancing such a proposition as this except as a sort of makeshift in order to get over a temporary difficulties we would be landing the nation, the mine owners and the miners in infinitely worse difficulties than they ever were in before.

Question of Nationalization.

"If we had not had nearly seven years to mind the National Philosoft all years and the properties of that system it right be national Philosoft all years and the properties of the properties o

rational pool, involving a great scheme for control of the mines and for medical on of wages throughout the country."

The letter is devoted largely to embastzing the need of a national pool in supporting the miners' opposition of district settlements. It charges that the fovernment action is responsible for the fovernment action is responsible for the crisis and asserts there is a lockout of the members of the federation.

The economic capacity of districts arises so enormously one from the

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ful design,

BRITISH STRIKE UNPOPULAR TWO NEGROES SHOT. WITH MAN IN THE STREET

Canvass of Conductors on Tramways and Subways and Porters at Railway Stations Shows No Enthusiasm for United Action With Miners.

Special Cuble to The New York Herald himself the unions night fix it up. It is his dignity that is in the way."

New York Herald Bureau, london. April 14. i his dignity that is in the way. "Another porter: "The sooner we have the strike the sooner we'll get it over

Asserts That Measure Offered by Miners Should Be Passed

I pon by Voters.

Something of an idea of the unpopularity of the unpending general strike even among those who will walk out when the strike order comes was gained to-day by a canvass of conductor of the strike. People won't be asking me then when it is going to happen."

Subway conductor: "None of us wants a strike, but if we come out we will will walk out when the strike order comes was gained to-day by a canvass of conductor of the strike. People won't be asking me then when it is going to happen."

Subway conductor: "None of us wants a strike, but if we come out we will win wages, and why shouldn't they if we will let them?"

Taxi driver: "I don't want a strike."

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Hodges Indicates Willingness
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WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE

Inhaled Gas Through Tube in Basement, Police Report.

a wrong one. I agree that just as you have the right to say to us, 'You must not starve us,' we have the right to say to you, 'You must not starve us.' Both ought to have a settlement which would avoid either side etarving the other. It is in this splicit we approached

The fire in Hakodate was the third great confiagration to occur in Japan within the past three weeks. On March 27 the whole city of Tokio was imperfiled when fire destroyed 1,000 houses, involving a loss estimated at 25,000,000 year. On April 8 a big fire in the Asakusa section of Tokio destroyed 1,700 houses, involving a loss estimated at 25,000,000 year.

TOO OLD TO WORK

Investigations Said to Prove Murders Were Frequent on the Williams Farm.

RUNAWAY HIT WITH AXE

Williams Case as Known Deaths Reach Eighteen.

Aleck Dyer, a negro laborer, was knocked in the head with an axe and instantly killed while he worked in the field on the Williams place, and Nick and Mamie Walker, aged negroes, were shot to death after they had lived on the death farm for twenty years, the witness declared.

ness declared.

"Dyer was killed because he ran away twice, but the news was passed around that old Nick and his wife were knocked off because they were too old to do any more work," one of the newly

FOUND DEAD IN HOME

thaled Gas Through Tube
In Basement, Police Report.

William Bainbridge, 45, who retired

every night.

"In the day they put balls and chains on our legs before we went to the fields to work. Mr. Huland and his brothers were boys in knee pants then. But they would ride over the farm and crack niggers over the backs with big whips if they caught any of 'em stopping to rest a minute."

William Bainbridge, 45, who retired last June from the staffonery firm of Henry Bainbridge & Co., 215 Washington street, of which his brother is head, was found dead yesterday in the basement of his home at \$23 Riverside Drive. According to the police he inhaled illuminating gas through a tube which he held to his mouth. The basement door was barricaded with a shovel. Forty negroes were employed on the Williams plantation in 1910, the witness declared. Clyde Manning was then a "common laborer." they said, and was kept under guard during the day and which he held to his mouth. The bases ment door was barricaded with a shovel.

Members of the family refused to discuss the case, but the police said Mr. Bainbridge appeared to have been despondent recently. It was said he had left a note asking his wife not to light a match in searching for his body.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

ATLANTA, April 14.—The Federal Government is now taking an active hand in the investigation of the Williams murder farm case. Officials state that they have evidence to the effect that murders on the farm have been going on since 1910; that two negroes were killed by Williams's orders because they were too old to work, and that the total known dead has now reached eighteen.

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Asked by whom these negroes were the Irish crown jewels, valued at \$250,-900, were stolen from the Castle. He

pointment's submitted to-day are: Charles
G. Dawes to be a Brigader-General,
O. R. C.; Capt. John L. Latmier, to be
Judge Advocate General and chief of
the bureau of supplies and accounts,
Navy Department; George B. Young, to
be senior surgeon, Public Health Service.

ferred to her as "a mighty fine woman." They said she often remonstrated with Williams concerning his brutal treatment of farm hands. During the days of the death farm of which the negroes told the plantation comprised 2,900 acres, but has since been increased to 4,000 acres, the negroes declared. Vincent Hughes, in charge of the Atlanta office of the Department of Justice, said a mass of new evidence, "even more sensational than that presented at the Covington ' lai last week," will be presented against Williams and his sons when the new trials are held.

BILL SEEKS REPEAL

OF PROHIBITION ACT

Would Leave Dry Enforce-

ment to the States.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Repeal of the

Volstead prohibition enforcement act is

proposed in a bill introduced late to-day by Representative Hill, Republican (Md.) effect of repeal, Mr. Hill said,

Eighteenth Amendment to the concur

Mr. Hill declared that he was for "real law enforcement," but not for

"Local option is an American princi-ple," he added. "Prohibition is not Large elements of our people are op-posed to the national or Volstead prohi-

bition act as an encroachment on police rights of the States and the personal liberty of the people."

SLAIN; HOME BURNED

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By the Associated Press.

DUBLIN, April 14.—Sir Arthur Edward

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Federal Authorities Take Up

would be to leave the enforcement of the were too old to work, and that the total known dead has now reached eighteen. It also is announced that the Federal investigation will be in the hands of the Federal Court of South Georgie because stronger indictments for peonage can be returned there than in North Georgia. The Government can try only for peonage and not for murder. Conditions in several other counties, including Jasper, are being investigated and it is said have been found to be bad.

The agents say this new evidence has been furnished by farm hands employed by Williams and his sons. Some of them narrowly escaped death themselves and all told their story reluctantly.

Aleck Dyer, a negro laborer, was

SIR ARTHUR VICARS Tag on Body Warns 'Traitors'

Vicars, former Ulster King-of-Arms, was shot dead this morning at Listowel and his residence was burned. A tag was attached to the body, reading: "Traitors, beware! We never forget. I. R. A." (Irish republic army.)

sion late in the afternoon and a meeting of the Foreign Relations Committee has been called for to-morrow, at which it is expected the Ambassadorial selections will be acted on favorably.

The President also sent up many appointments made during the recess, including that of John J. Esch to be Interstate Commerce Commissioner.

Some of the inore important new appointments submitted to-day are: Charles

The President feer and the time of the famous robbery there in 1907, when the Irish crown jewels, valued at \$250,000 libel suit command of Williams and his three sons.

In the Department of Justice offices to-day former farm hands told their stories to the agents.

One aged negro said: "I lived on the case."

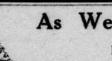
to get away several times, but there was very little chance, because they kept us under guard in a little house every night.

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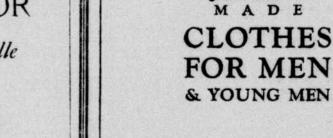
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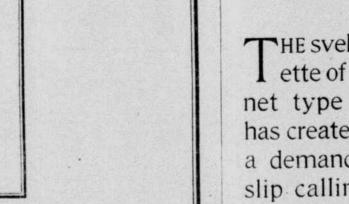
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